Transfer Applicants to Purdue University School of Nursing

Transfer students must have satisfied Purdue’s high school course expectations and completed minimums of 12 to 24 semester credit hours of college-level coursework (not remedial or developmental) prior to enrollment at Purdue. The minimum number of credit hours will vary based on each student’s high school and/or college academic credentials. During application evaluation, the Admissions Committee will determine whether an individual’s college coursework is sufficient.

Transfer applicants who have not completed a bachelor’s degree must provide a final high school transcript. If you did not meet Purdue's high school course expectations while in high school, we will review your college transcript(s) to determine if you have made up any deficiencies. One semester of college-level coursework is equivalent to two semesters of high school.

Transfer applicants also must provide an SAT or ACT test score unless they have completed at least 24 credit hours of college level coursework or have been out of high school for at least five years. Test scores must be sent electronically from the testing agency.

Applicants in their first semester of college may be admitted as transfer students based on their high school academic record, pending successful completion of their first semester of college coursework.

To be considered for admission to the School of Nursing as a transfer student, an applicant must have a minimum 3.50 (on a 4.00 scale) current college GPA, have completed at least 12 semester credit hours (or equivalent) at a regionally accredited college or university, including completion of at least six hours of college-level natural science courses (biology, chemistry, anatomy, physiology, etc.) with grades of B or higher.

Admission is selective. The best qualified applicants are selected from the pool of applicants.

Transfer applicants will be considered only for fall semester admission. Purdue evaluates Nursing applications once each year. Nursing transfer applications must be complete by May 1.

A student who is admitted to Nursing will begin as a freshman in the nursing program and is projected to complete the program in 8 semesters (4 years from the fall semester of admission.) Depending on space availability and completion of necessary prerequisites, it may be possible for a transfer student to actually complete the program in 6 - 7 semesters.

*Transfer students are those who have taken college coursework after graduation from high school. For School of Nursing admissions, these will also include those who are considered “Reentries” and “Regional Campus Transfers.”